

# The Caledonian.

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## EASTER.

Thank God for the dear ones safe today,  
Safe at home on the happy shore,  
Where the smile of the Father beams for aye,  
And the shadow of pain shall fall no more.

Thank God for the hearts that have come  
With sin,  
For the eyes that shall never be blind with  
tears,  
Thank God for the beautiful entered in  
To the perfect rest of the deathless years.

Thank God for the gift in the desolate grave  
"Tis the soldier's couch, not the captive's  
prison.  
He hallowed its portal, who died to save,  
And we write o'er its porch, "The Lord is  
Risen."

"Tis sweet, as years by year we lose  
Friends out of sight, in faith to muse  
How grows in Paradise our store."  
—[Kehle.]

[For the Caledonian.]

## RUTH.

### A STORY OF EASTER TIME.

BY DANIEL WESLEY.

"What a perfect morning, and the day before Easter. All nature is singing. 'The Lord is risen indeed.'"

Mrs. Howard was standing by the window in her beautiful morning robe. She was a picture fair to look upon. She wore a white cashmere morning robe, its trimmings of crimson velvet and cluster of Jacqueminot roses giving warmth of color to the pure white and an added charm to her already brilliant complexion. Her dark eyes were dewy with deep feeling as she looked from her window upon the beautiful landscape.

Dr. and Mrs. Howard had been in their lovely home a little more than a year, and this morning as the doctor entered the broad hall, and heard the tones of a piano and a sweet voice, he knew so well, singing the Easter anthem, he thought how much he owed to his Savior. Mrs. Howard had gone from the window to the piano, and was singing the anthem which was to be rendered in church the next day. Beautifully sweet and clear were the tones, but evidently while singing she was thinking of something else for the dreamy look was still in her face. Not until a rich bass voice joined her own did she notice her husband's presence. Springing from her seat she said: "How long have you been here? I did not hear you ring."

"No my dear I think you did not, for when I entered the room you were busy singing, while I judged your thoughts were far away." What were you thinking about, Ruth?

"I have been looking out upon the glorious world and everything seems to tell of a risen Savior, and when I think of his giving his life for us I wonder how he accepts such trifles as you and I do him. I do think, Ruth, Easter is a beautiful time, but this year I am reminded of Ruth, how she used to revel in a morning like this. I can see her in imagination, sitting by the window there, and sketching what she saw. I never saw a more perfect morning."

"Very lovely it is," replied Dr. Howard, "but speaking of your cousin in Ruth, where do you suppose she is, and when did you last hear from her?"

"It has been eight days since she has written me; at that time she was in California. You have heard me say she married a fine man but he is poor. She was married soon after her graduation, and at that time she thought her prospects very bright, for none considered it hard for her to marry Mr. Jameson even though he were poor in this world's goods."

"Have you never heard about her during these eight days?"

"Only once," his wife replied, "through an acquaintance I learned she was still in California and that Mr. Jameson was ill and had been for several months. Since then I have heard nothing but have thought of her often and especially this morning. But will you sing with me now?"

"Not now, my dear," replied her husband, "I must go out again. I am called to a new patient this morning, one of the 'Shut Ins' I think, and I thought there was a chance for one of the King's Daughters to give a little sunshine, so I came for my wife. Will you go?"

"Certainly, I will accompany you a few minutes and I will be ready."

It was no wonder Dr. Howard was proud of his wife for she always carried sunshine with her. In a few minutes she was in street costume ready to accompany her husband. After they were seated in the carriage Mrs. Howard said:

"Please tell me about your patient. I am quite curious to know to whom I am to carry sunshine."

"The doctor is explaining the matter, we will precede them for a little. His destination was a poor tenement house where early in the morning we will enter a room which is very neat but almost destitute of comfort. On an old couch sits a little boy about seven years of age. His tossing his little hands above his curly head and his constant talking tells plainly to the mother, bending over him, that her little boy is very sick. Evidently the mother has seen better days for her stately bearing tells that not from choice but necessity such a place as this is her home. Her one thought now is what to do for her boy. No money to pay a good physician and she dare not trust the careless with her child. Something must be done. Kneeling by the side of her boy, she asks the Father, who it seems had almost forgotten her, to help her now. Who will say the broken words were not heard, for are not the sparrows' fall noted. Hastening down the shabby stairs she found a boy and asked where she could find a doctor."

He rapidly mentioned several and then said, "They are no good doctors, if you want a real crack one, get Dr. Howard, he is the doctor up town among the brown stone folks."

"But I cannot pay him," the lady said, as she raised her head a little proudly. "But I must have someone," she continued.

"Oh, Dr. Howard will come, I know, he is none of your kid glove doctors if he is rich. He saved our baby, anyhow. The he goes; I will call him," and before the lady could prevent, the boy bounded up the street after the physician, who, hearing the shrill call, stopped to see what was wanted. In an instant he came with the doctor in reply to the doctor's look of inquiry the lady said, "His father taught him the hymn two years ago, and ever since

he was large enough to understand he was taught about Easter, Charlie had been talking about Easter Sunday when he was taken sick."

Gravely and kindly Doctor Howard asked about the cause of the sickness, and learned, how coming to the city the year before with an invalid husband, she had worked and cared for him, the little boy earning what he could as boot black, but the chilling winds were too hard for the little child to brave. Six months before the husband went to a bright home, and the wife and little one were left to endure the hard words and unkindness of a landlord, who, after taking the last cent, told them to leave and he wanted room for a better occupant.

Something in the lady's face reminded Dr. Howard of a picture that stood in his wife's room of a lovely girl, and he wondered if it could be possible that this was the lost countess. Hardly daring to hope so, he told the lady he would call again soon and hastened to bring his wife.

Mrs. Howard had learned before reaching the tenement house all her husband knew of his patient. But she saw the exception of his faint hope concerning her cousin. Knocking at the door the doctor and wife entered the room. As Mrs. Howard came in it seemed as though sunlight came with her. Crossing the room she went to the couch and laying her cool hand upon the burning brow, said, "Poor little darling," then turned to speak to the mother whom she had not noticed before.

Dr. Howard, who was watching, saw the poor woman start suddenly at the sound of Mrs. Howard's voice and with a great effort at self-control she came to the side of her child. A peculiar quiver of the lips, which she could not suppress, told him when very much moved, attracted Mrs. Howard's attention, and giving a searching look into the face before her, said with a voice full of emotion, "Ruth, my little cousin Ruth."

Throwing her arm about the lady Mrs. Howard drew her to the other side of the room while the doctor cared for the little one.

In a short time all the trouble that could be told Mrs. Howard and Mrs. Howard shed tears of sympathy, as she learned how bravely her pet cousin had worked her way with a sick husband.

"But why did you not write and let me know where you were?" said Mrs. Howard.

"I did write for awhile," Mrs. Jameson replied, but lately I could not afford to. I don't know what I would have done but for a risen Savior."

The mother and child were at once taken to the doctor's luxuriant home and with skillful treatment the little one was quieted so that on Easter day as Mrs. Jameson sat by the child, he begged for his Easter story. In full of thankfulness she told of the Savior who died that we might live again.

It was said that Dr. and Mrs. Howard never sang sweeter than in the Easter anthem on that glad Sunday. It was not that one heart was full of gladness that the lost was found, and the other with praise that God had endowed him with power to help raise the sick to health, and not only do that for the greatest, but for "the least of the little ones."

## KINDNESS TO ANIMALS.

Frances Willard said one admirable thing in her recent annual address before the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. It was to the effect that she did not judge the humanity of men and women from the manner in which they treated their equals in strength, but from the care they gave to their cats and dogs. Charlotte Bronte makes Caroline Helstone say of Robert Moore: "We have a black cat and an old dog at the rectory. I know somebody to whose knee that black cat loves to climb, against whose shoulder and cheek it likes to purr. The old dog comes out of his kennel and wags his tail and whines affectionately when somebody passes." And what does that somebody do? asked Shirley.

It is not strange that she perceived in this tenderness toward dumb creatures, premonitions of great tenderness toward his own flesh and blood. It is strange and incomprehensible thing that most children are naturally cruel. It may have been this trait which gave rise to the dogma of total depravity. It is equally strange that parents who are good people, I mean kindly kind to their equals, are totally oblivious to their own tendency in their children. The cat is teased and tortured in wanton mischief without a word of protest. The dog is kicked and beaten and nothing is said, yet in all evil inclinations there is none that is more dangerous than this. Cruelty to animals in a child develops in after years into cruelty toward a brother, sister, wife, and children. The brutal man who beats his normal child, may, does so because he began his cruelty in childhood, and with his hardened sensibilities it would be a comparatively trifling thing to commit murder, were it not for the penalty which is exacted for the cruel are always cowardly.

Indifference to suffering is an indication of a hard heart—and for the thoroughly hardened there is no hope either in this life or the next. Children that are permitted to be cruel either through indifference or neglect, grow more and more cruel as they advance in years. Its first indication should be checked, as the watchful mother checks the first lapses in truth and morality.

They should be taught to care for their pets, to handle them gently, to provide them regularly with food and drink, and shelter and bedding. Thoughtfulness for these dumb creatures will inspire them with a desire to be helpful, and thankful to all about them. If it became necessary to kill an animal, hopelessly sick or grown old and helpless, it should be done humanely, and even then the children should not be permitted to see it put to death. They should be taught that life is sweet and precious to the smallest creature—to the fly struggling in the spider's web, to the tiny ant hurrying panic-stricken to escape the ruthless foot of a would-be trampler. In this way only can the education in humanity be carried on; begin with the baby and lose no opportunity to impress upon his mind until he is grown that one shall not destroy any harmless living creature.—[Woodstock Standard.]

## DON'T COME TO THE CITY.

I have heard country girls talk of coming to the city for employment, giving as one reason that they wanted more social life. Well, that is just what they will not get; the woman of business is not a woman of leisure and she has no time for society. She will find more social life in her own home, even if she be a worker, than she could ever have in the city, and there is no loneliness more absolute than the loneliness of a stranger in a crowd. Salaries are not large enough to permit of much relaxation in the way of entertainments, and after the day's work is over one is too tired to go in search of enjoyment. In the country home, in these days, the daily paper and the magazine come, so that one may keep in touch with the world, even if she be at one side of the bustle and confusion of city life. The fashion articles tell her how to dress her hair and make her gown, and give her the latest notions in small toilet details. No town is so small that it has not its public library, where all the new books come, and the lecture and concert are not infrequent in visits. Railways and telegraphs have brought the corners of the earth together, so that one is never very far away from the centers of things. There are occupations, too, for the girls who stay at home, and particularly those who stay in the country; and these will be talked about by and by. Do not throw to the cities in search of employment, for you will be doomed to bitter disappointment. The country stores employ women as well as the city stores, and many a girl makes a good beginning in them. I myself know country towns where, a few years ago, nearly all the positions in stores were held by young men, which today are held by women. Everywhere it has come to be quite the accepted state of things that women shall sell goods.—[Sallie Joy White, in January Wide Awake.]

## HOW TO SOW FLOWER SEEDS.

This is one way to sow seeds successfully: Boxes two or three inches deep are filled with garden loam, a little sand passed through a coarse sieve (a hair sieve will not answer) to take out stones and all coarse pieces of soil. It should be fine and soft. Fill the boxes within half an inch, take a smooth piece of board and press the soil down hard and smooth. If dry, water and allow it to soak away before sowing. Sprinkle the seeds on evenly. Seeds the size of aster, verbena, stocks, cover by sprinkling on the fine soil, just to cover them out of sight. Seeds of like petunia do not cover, but lay a pane of glass over to keep in the moisture. Place the boxes in the kitchen window, or where they will be kept warm. If the soil gets dry it should be watered with a fine sprinkler. After the seeds are up they need watching. If they dry up once they are gone. If the sun shines on them too hot they wither away. After they put out three pairs of leaves they should be separated and put into other boxes about an inch apart. After transplanting they must be shaded from the hot sun until they take hold of the soil.—[Good Housekeeping.]

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STATE OF VERMONT, Caledonia District, ss. In Probate Court, held at the Probate Office in St. Johnsbury, within and for said District on the 26th day of March, A. D. 1890.  
An Instrument purporting to be the last Will and Testament of C. M. Stone late of St. Johnsbury in said district, deceased, being presented to Court by George E. Way, Executor, the Executrix therein named for Probate.  
It is ordered by said Court that all persons concerned therein be notified to appear at a session of said Court to be held at the Probate Office in St. Johnsbury on the 12th day of April, A. D. 1890, and show cause if any they may have, against the Probate of said Will; for which purpose it is further ordered that a copy of the record of this order be published three weeks successively in the Caledonian printed at St. Johnsbury previous to said time appointed for hearing.  
By the Court, Attest: WALTER P. SMITH, Judge.

### Probate of Will.

**JACOB WAY'S ESTATE.**  
STATE OF VERMONT, Caledonia District, ss. In Probate Court, held at the Probate Office in St. Johnsbury, within and for said District on the 26th day of March, A. D. 1890.  
An Instrument purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Jacob Way, late of Peacham in said district, deceased, being presented to Court by George E. Way, Custodian, for Probate.  
It is ordered by said Court that all persons concerned therein be notified to appear at a session of said Court to be held at the Probate Office in St. Johnsbury on the 12th day of April, A. D. 1890, and show cause if any they may have, against the Probate of said Will; for which purpose it is further ordered that a copy of the record of this order be published three weeks successively in the Caledonian printed at St. Johnsbury previous to said time appointed for hearing.  
By the Court, Attest: WALTER P. SMITH, Judge.

### Presentation of Account.

**JOHN AYER'S ESTATE.**  
STATE OF VERMONT, Caledonia District, ss. In Probate Court, held at the Probate Office in St. Johnsbury, within and for said District, on the 26th day of Mar. A. D. 1890.  
James R. Stevens, administrator upon the estate of John Ayer, late of St. Johnsbury in said district, deceased, presents his administration account for examination and allowance, and makes application for decree of distribution and partition of the estate of said deceased.  
Whereupon, it is ordered by said Court, that said account and said application be referred to the Creditors of said Estate, to the effect that they be and they are to appear at a session of said Court to be held at the Probate Office in St. Johnsbury, on the 17th day of April, A. D. 1890, for hearing and decision thereon. And it is further ordered that notice hereof be given to all persons interested, by publication of the same three weeks successively in the Caledonian, a newspaper published in said district, previous to said time appointed for hearing, that they may have cause if any they may have why said account should not be allowed and such decree made.  
By the Court, Attest: WALTER P. SMITH, Judge.

### Insolvency Notice.

**JOHN L. FRY'S ESTATE.**  
STATE OF VERMONT, District of Caledonia, ss. Court of Insolvency. In the matter of John L. Fry, of Danville in said District, Insolvent Debtor.  
Notice is hereby given that the second and third meetings of the Creditors of said Insolvent Debtor will be held at the Probate Office in St. Johnsbury, in said District, on the 10th day of April, A. D. 1890, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose set forth in Sections 1845, 1848 and 1867 of the Revised Laws of Vermont.  
Also that George B. Davis, Assignee of said Insolvent Debtor's Estate, has filed in said Court his accounts preparatory to final dividend to the Creditors of said Estate.  
By order of the Court, Attest: WALTER P. SMITH, Judge.

### Insolvency Notice.

**JOHN F. ALKEN'S ESTATE.**  
STATE OF VERMONT, District of Caledonia, ss. Court of Insolvency. In the matter of John F. Alken of Barnet, in said District, Insolvent Debtor.  
Notice is hereby given that the second and third meetings of the Creditors of said Insolvent Debtor will be held at the Probate Office in St. Johnsbury, in said District, on the 4th day of April, A. D. 1890, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose set forth in Sections 1845, 1848 and 1867 of the Revised Laws of Vermont.  
Also that Geo. P. Blair, Assignee of said Insolvent Debtor's Estate, has filed in said Court his accounts preparatory to final dividend to the Creditors of said Estate.  
By order of the Court, Attest: WALTER P. SMITH, Judge.

### Probate of Will.

**ORIN MARTIN'S ESTATE.**  
STATE OF VERMONT, Caledonia District, ss. In Probate Court, held at the Probate Office in St. Johnsbury, within and for said District, on the 15th day of Mar. A. D. 1890.  
An Instrument purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Orin Martin, late of Peacham in said district, deceased, being presented to Court by Lucinda Martin, Custodian, for Probate.  
It is ordered by said Court that all persons concerned therein be notified to appear at a session of said Court to be held at the Probate Office in St. Johnsbury on the 5th day of April, A. D. 1890, and show cause if any they may have, against the Probate of said Will; for which purpose it is further ordered that a copy of the record of this order be published three weeks successively in the Caledonian printed at St. Johnsbury previous to said time appointed for hearing.  
By the Court, Attest: WALTER P. SMITH, Judge.

### Probate of Will.

**PRISCILLA H. JONES' ESTATE.**  
STATE OF VERMONT, Caledonia District, ss. In Probate Court, held at the Probate Office in St. Johnsbury, within and for said District, on the 17th day of Mar. A. D. 1890.  
An Instrument purporting to be the last Will and Testament and one codicil of Priscilla H. Jones late of Peacham in said district, deceased, being presented to Court by Samuel S. Kimball, one of the Executors therein named, for Probate.  
It is ordered by said Court that all persons concerned therein be notified to appear at a session of said Court to be held at the Probate Office in St. Johnsbury on the 5th day of April, A. D. 1890, and show cause if any they may have, against the Probate of said Will; for which purpose it is further ordered that a copy of the record of this order be published three weeks successively in the Caledonian printed at St. Johnsbury previous to said time appointed for hearing.  
By the Court, Attest: WALTER P. SMITH, Judge.

### Application for License.

**MARY B. PLINT'S ESTATE.**  
STATE OF VERMONT, Caledonia District, ss. In Probate Court, holden at the Probate Office in St. Johnsbury, on the 19th day of Mar. A. D. 1890.  
Elijah D. Blodgett, executor of the last Will and Testament of Mary B. Plint late of St. Johnsbury in said district, deceased, makes application to said Court for license to sell the whole of the real estate of said deceased, consisting of a certain lot of land, situate on Main street in the village of St. Johnsbury.  
Representing that such sale is necessary in order to carry out the provisions of said Will and Testament, and further representing that such sale would be beneficial to the heirs, legatees, devisees and all persons interested in the estate of said deceased to sell the whole of the real estate of said deceased, and to convert the same into money; and also brings therewith into Court the consent and approval in writing to the granting of such license, of all the heirs, legatees and devisees said estate residing in this State.  
Whereupon, it is ordered by said Court that said application come on for examination and be heard on the 5th day of April, A. D. 1890, at the Probate Office in St. Johnsbury; and it is further ordered that all persons interested be notified hereof, by publication of notice of said application and order thereon, three weeks successively in the Caledonian, a newspaper published in St. Johnsbury, before said time of hearing, that they may appear at said time, and place, and if they see cause, object thereto.  
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